

REMARKS

The Applicant has amended claim 21 in order to more clearly describe the invention. For example, amended claim 21 recites,

21. A method of coupling a multimedia source device to a multimedia sink device, comprising:
providing *a signal cable that does not include a clock line* having a bi-directional auxiliary channel arranged to transfer information between the multimedia source device and the multimedia sink device and a unidirectional main link arranged to transport multimedia data packets from the multimedia source device to the multimedia sink device;
coupling the multimedia sink device to the multimedia source device by way of the signal cable; and
using an enhanced analog mode having differential analog video with embedded alignment signal and bi-directional sideband when either one or both the multimedia source device or the multimedia sink device are determined to be analog in nature.

Claim 21 specifically requires that the signal cable does not include a clock line as required by the cited references.

Therefore, the Applicant believes that claim 21 as currently pending is allowable over the cited references (previously discussed) and request that the Examiner withdraw the rejections thereof.

All remaining dependent claims depend either directly or indirectly from claim 21 and are also believed to be allowable.

Therefore, the Applicant believes that all pending claims are allowable.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that all pending claims are allowable. Should the Examiner believe that a further telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

Respectfully submitted,

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